## SENATORIAL

Two Members of the State Senate Engage in a Hot Discussion Over the

ALLEGHENY GAUGERS' BILL

Charges of Trickery Insinuated and Indignantly Repelled.

Mr. Upperman Asserts His Rights as an Allegheny Senator-Delamater Wants to Explain-Newmyer Enters a Protest-Amendment Elections Very Coatly-The

squabble between some of its members over the report on a bill. One Senator objected to its being reported without his sanction, trickery. A movement is on foot to have the State bear the expense of the Amendment elections.

[FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.] HARRISBURG, May 4 .- Mr. Upperman, of Allegheny, is one of the quietest mearbers of the Senate, but it is not because he cannot talk right out from the shoulder, as he demonstrated to the satisfaction of everybody in the Senate this forenoon. The subject of his talk was largely Senator Delamater, and that gentleman adopted a discreetly conciliatory course and thereby brought the discussion to a close. Afterward, however, in conversation, Senator Upperman talked just as plainly as he did when the stenographer of the legislative record was taking it all down.

The trouble grew out of the bill to abolish the office of gauger of liquid merchandise in Allegheny county. The merits or demerits of the bill were not under discussion at any time during the interchange of Senatoria courtesies, but the measure is one which some people say is simply designed to rob a Magee man of a fat office, while others say it is in the interest of the Standard Oil Com-

OBJECT OF THE BILL. The fact is that the bill was introduced by Representative Robison, of Allegheny, who was requested to do so by Joseph Craig, who was requested to do so by Joseph Craig, the Pittsburg refiner, who is a partner of William Elkins and P. A. B. Widener in opposition to the Standard Oil Company, and whose refinery is one of the largest independent institutions in the country. They do business in Allegheny, Butler and Washington counties, and will soon have a very large refinery in operation in Phila-delphia. The fact that they do business in Vashington county is an explanation of the aid given it by Captain Billingsley on third reading in the House, when he had it quietly passed and messaged to the Senate one evening before the Pittsburg delegation

knew what was being voted on Senate Committee on Last evening the Schate Committee on Municipal Affairs agreed to make a favorable reporton the bill and gave it to Senator Upperman to present to the Senate. Of course the information as to who had the bill was not public property, and when Senator Dachrodt, of Northampton, late in the session reported it to the Senate no one proceed the fact. Senate no one particularly noted the fact. Soon after nator Upperman entered the chamber and

report," said Senator Newmyer.
"So I have," replied Senator Upperman THE TROUBLE COMMENCES.

Senator Newmyer explained to him what had occurred, and Senator Upperman was on his feet in an instant, with flame in his cheek and fire flashing from his eyes. He asked Senator Thompson, who was in the chair, it the bill had been reported, and Senator Thompson, after consulting the clerks, said it had been.

Senator Delamater then arose to say he could possibly explain, but Senator Upperman quickly interrupted him and said, with a great deal of emphasis: "I think this is of those things that cannot be ex-ined. This bill was given to me to report, and I cannot understand how it could have been placed in the hands of another. You attack the rights of a Senator from Allegheny. It appears to me that Allegheny senators here have no rights. They are not recognized even in the reporting of a bill, This bill was handed to me by the Chairman of the committee, and the gentl man who reported it never asked for it, and I cannot understand how he could report it when the bill was in my possession.

DELAMATER'S REPLY. Mr. Delamater at this point got the attention of the chair and said: "Mr. President, knowing this morning that the bill had been considered, I went from one member to another of the committee of those who were in the Senate, inquiring who had the bill. None of them knew. The chairman, Mr. Mylin, was absent, and I sent messengers everywhere to find him, only to learn that he had gone home. So had the secretary of the committee, Mr. Cooper. I could not find Senator Upperman either. I thought perhaps the Senator who had the bill had left town and taken it with him by an oversight. I will not say that I thought the Senator had taken away the bill by design, nor that any on Ti Senator proposed to smother the bill, though the committee had ordered an affirmative report. I asked the Clerk of the Senate what out. course to pursue. I did not intend that a bill passed by the House should be lost by a trick or a mistake. The clerk advised that a duplicate bill be made out and reported. The Senator who had the original bill could then have it substituted for the duplicate on his return. Several members of the committee offered to report it if a copy was made or the bill found. I did not then know Senator Upperman had the bill. I supposed it was in the hands of Senator Mylin. Assistant Librarian Miller will bear me out that I tried to find him."

RATHER INSINUATING. "My position is just this: The Honse duly passed a bill and caused it to be sent to this body in proper form. It had then been neted on by one of our committee, and I did be lost by mistake. Therefore, this bill, or a duplicate of it, has now been reported by gentleman from Northumberland, a member of the committee, and I believe is properly before this body. If not, let the gentleman from Allegheny report his bill, the abstractions the committee and in the committee is believed in the committee. as he acknowledges the committee ordered him to do. If he does this no one will press

perman, "the gentleman from Crawford is a little too suspicious as to tricks. I have been here since 1881, and this is the first time I have been charged with trying to de-ieat a bill by a trick. I have been honest in all my actions here, and my word has always been as good as my bond. I have cast my vote to please myself and nobody in the depository for the battle flags in the state of the charitable institutions may flag of the state of the charitab

not go back of the report, and the only thing in order would be to recommit it. Senator Delamater moved the recommittal of the bill, and as soon as the motion had been carried Senator Upperman made a formal report of the measure to the Senate.

NEWMYER PROTESTS. Senator Newmyer, who had been an interested spectator up to this time, here broke in: "I enter my protest against this kind of legislative practice. If such things as this can be done there is no telling what

as this can be done there is no teiling what cannot be done."

The Chair declared Senator Newmyer not in order when he had gone this tar. Senators Upperman and Ross moved that he be given permission to speak, but Mr. Newmyer said he had nothing further to say. The bill was then read for the first time and

passed.

Those who heard what passed between the Senators Upperman and Delamater after adjournment, say the conversation was not in accordance with any rules laid down in CONSIDERABLE BAD FEELING RESULTS. any book of etiquette. A little later, Senator Newmyer was writing at his desk, and Chairman Andrews approached.
"Mr. Newmyer," he said, "I would like to speak to you a few moments."
"I am too busy," was Senator Newmyer's

Chairman Andrews walked away withat saying anything. Friends of Amendment Elections Very Coatly—The
Sinte Will be Asked to Pay—Husiling
in the Legislature—Why the Pool Bill
Was Defeated—An Old Battle Flag Re-

Dachrodt reported it.

"At least," said one gentleman, "that is just the way I would have acted if I had been trying to suppress a bill." These remarks, however, are not made for publica-

## IT IS NOW A LAW.

while another retorted with charges of Governor Beaver Signs the Municipal Lien Bill-Will It Affect the Penn Avenue Liens-The Street Bill Hanging in the Balance.

> HARRISBURG, May 4.-This alternoon when Controller Morrow came out of Governor Beaver's private office, he feelingly emarked: "I'm afraid we are in the soup." It was true. To-night Governor Beaver to Senator Newmyer's municipal lien bill. The Governor said he made it a general rule to sign bills passed by the Legislature unless they were unconstitutional. This rule, however, does not apply to appropriation bills. The condition of the revenues, as well as other things besides the Constitu-

tion, come into play on these.

The committee that came from Pittsburg to induce the Governor to abstain from signing the bill were Mayor McCallin, City Attorney Moreland, City Controller Mor-row, H. P. Ford, President o the Select Council; W. R. Ford, Collector of Delin-quent Taxes, and O. K. Gardner and H. K. Bigham, members of Councils. The arguments they presented are familiar to Pittsburgers, and are to the effect that the bill will apply to the Penn avenue liens. The Governor and Scaator Newmyer, did not agree with this. They said it would only agree with this. They said it would only apply to future liens. City Controller Morrow said afterward to THE DISPATCH correspondent that, while they did not agree in this opinion, he desired it known he at-tributed no wrong motives to Senator New-myer. The other gentlemen concurred in

this.

The Pittsburgers had been informed that they would be notified as soon as the bill reached the Governor. Through some mistake they were not notified until yesterday, and this was the last day on which the Governor could take action. He had already made up his mind, and the hearing given the Pittsburgers was merely a belated not of courters.

not of courtesy, Controller Morrow is much exercised concerning the fate of the Pittsburg street bill.

It was read the first time to-day. On Monday it will be read a second time and on Tuesday a third time. As it was amended have only Wednesday in which to pass the Conference Committee and reach the Goverof the Allegheny Senators to put it through.

COUNTING THE COST. The Vote on the Amendment Very Costly-

It is a State Measure-The Expense Should be Borne by the SEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. HARRISBURG, May 4.-Some of the members are beginning to talk about and figure up on the cost of the special election on the 18th of June. With the exception of the tickets, which are supplied at the State's expense by the State printer, the counties will be compelled to pay the score. The election will cost the city of Philadel-

phia over \$40,000, and Pittsburg nearly half

It is held by many of the members that the coming election is purely a State affair and that the State ought to pay the expenses. If the session was not closing at this time, a bill would be promptly introduced making an appropriation for the payment of the cost. It is too late now, but it is extremely probable that a bill will be pushed in the next Legislature to reimburse the several counties for the outlay. This will probably be the best under the circumstances, since by that time the exact cost will have been ascertained to a dollar. It is doubtful, though, whether such a bill would not have failed this session. The Republican leaders are not aiding prohibition more than they must.

LEGISLATORS HUSTLING.

Both Houses Trying to Clear Away Work Before Adjournment.

HARRISBURG, May 4.—Under the driving of aged workmen. The necessity of Prince rork of the leaders the calendars of the two work of the leaders the calendars of the two Houses are being rapidly thinned, so that on Thursday, when the drop curtain is rang down upon the final scene of all, it will be found that but few measures have been shut

In the House the orators, who throughout the session have had a continual carnival, have become silent under compulsion, as the members will not listen to harangues now. It is one steady call of the roll upon one bill after another, and everybody is jealous of time.

In the Senate it is different, but the

speeches there, in the main, have the virtue of brevity. A great deal of committee work, and particularly conference committee work, is being done. This takes the members from their seats and sometimes causes a bill to be defeated for lack of a vote or two. The disaster to the pool bill yesterday can be traced to this cause, a number of its friends being out of the hall of the House on legislative duties when the vote was

A TATTERED RELIC.

HARRISBURG, May 4.—The tattered flag of the Cameron Cavalry, of Philadelphia, which has recently been returned to Senator Quay by General Wade Hampton, whose command captured it, is now in the office of the Adjutant General here.

It will not be returned to the Cameron Cavalry survivors, as is generally expected, as the law requires that it shall be placed in the depository for the battle flags in the State House, and which Senator Grady made an ineffectual effort to have removed to the Expective Depositions where there will be

PEACE STILL REIGNS.

The Samoan Negotiations Progressing in a Satisfactory Manner.

ENGLAND IS WORKING WITH US And the German Claims Will be Very

Thoroughly Ventilated. TROUBLE IN VIEW FOR SWITZERLAND

The Powerful Walesharine States to Course the Little Republic.

The negotiations of the Samoan Commission at Berlin have so far been of a satisfactory nature. The English and American representatives are working together, and the German claims have been of a peaceful nature. Consul Knappe has prepared a detense of his conduct while at Samoa. He alleges that the Americans stirred up all the trouble. Minister Pendleton leaves Berlin to-morrow.

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BERLIN, May 4.—A committee of the Samoan conference has prepared the draft of a proposal to constitute a court to decide questions of land tenure in Samoa. The court is to consist of one representative of each of the interested powers and two Sa-

Complications connected with existing tenures threaten to impede progress until the committee relegates the settlement of the question to the proposed court. Messrs. Sewall and Brandeis have been present daily at the sittings. Mr. Sewall proved the untenable character of a number of German land claims, and further showed that the extent of land claimed by foreignanounced that he had affixed his signature ers as bought or ceded was in excess of the

area of the island.

Mr. Brandeis gave evidence on the validity of German land titles, and said he desired to be heard on the losses of German planters. The committee declined to consider such losses as involving a question of

SATISFACTORY PROGRESS. The English and American delegates express satisfaction at the progress so far made, and all sides are hopeful that the convention will be concluded early in June. The attitude of the English delegates will assist in the solution of the question.

Before the conference it was suspected that the entente between Berlin and Lonthat the entente between Berlin and Lon-don would tend to throw the balance against the American policy, but developments since the opening of the conference warrant the belief that the English delegates have been instructed to join with the American representatives in opposing German preten-sions to special rights. The report that Mesers. Sewall, Parker and Buckingham are not recognized officially and are socially

are not recognized officially and are socially ignored is untrue. On the contrary, they are well received everywhere. The banquet to be given by the American Commissioners at the Kaiserhof Hotel on Wednesday will be a brilliant affair. There will be present, beside all the members of the conference, the full diplomatic corps of all countries having representatives at Ber-lin. Mr. Pendleton, the retiring American Minister, and his daughters, will leave Berlin on Monday.

CONSUL ENAPPE'S DEFENSE. The report of Dr. Knappe, ex-German Consul at Apia, was issued to-day. It is a lame defense of his own conduct. In it Dr. Knappe charges the adherents of Mataafa with raiding the German planters, and de-scribes his efforts to induce the insurgents

to abandon their positions which encroached upon the plantations. He says that the disorders in Samos wer partly due to American incitement. The general tenor of the report and its publication at the present juncture, suggest a latent intention on the part of Bismarck to persist in his indemnity demands. An appendix to the report gives the American consul's edict prohibiting the supplying of spirits to

handkerchiels, on which are imprinted the American colors and the portrait of the President of the United States, have been hoisted promiscu-States, have been hoisted promiscuously over native houses since the outbreak
of the civil war in Samon. He also says
that American and British flags were
hoisted on plots of land pledged by the
"rebels" in lieu of cash in payment for
arms and ammunition. The commander of
the British cruiser at Apia, he says, declined to support claims to land thus
pledged.

pledged. BISMARCK'S DISCRETION The ferment of discontent among the Gov-The ferment of discontent among the Government groups has increased since the peremptory closure of the Landtag. The reopening of the Reichstag will be signalized by attacks on the Government, in which a number of National Liberals will join with the Progressists and Centerists. The members of the Landtag expected that the new income tax bill promised in the speech from the throne, would be tabled before the adjournment of the House. ournment of the House.

pournment of the House.

Prince Bismarck preferred to drop the bill and close the House, being advised that the long-tried docility of the Government majority could not be relied upon. Avoiding simultaneous conflict in the Landtag and the Reichstag, the Chancellor concentrates his efforts against the oppos

tion in the Reichstag and is secretly negotiating with Dr. Windthorst.

That able tactician is understood to be bargaining for the full value of the Centerist's support of the Government bills Bismarck's obtaining the Centerist vote to carry either of these measures becomes pronounced, in view of the strength of the hostile coalition. A small group of cler-icals, led by Herr von Frankenstein, have already announced their intention of sup-porting the Government, but their number is not sufficient to secure a majority. Dr. Windthorst holds the mastery of the situa-

TROUBLE MAY COME. The arrest in Switzerland and the expulsion from that country of Police Inspector Wohlgemuth has suddenly assumed a serious international aspect. The Emperor presided at a Ministerial council held on Thursday, at which it was decided to demand an explanation of the affair from the

Swiss Government.
The North German Gazette declares that Herr Wohlgemuth went to the Canton of Aargan in the legal prosecution of his du-ties of police inspector of Mulhouse and was arrested at the instance of a Socialist who was known to be an agent provoccateur against the German police. The Gazette significantly adds: "The countries bordersignificantly adds: "Ine countries bordering on Switzerland must protect themselves
against revolutionary efforts which the
Swiss officials both tolerate and promote."

The gravity of the affair is increased by
communications, initiated at St. Petersburg, pointing toward joint action to coerce Switz-erland. To-day's Svet, in urging that united pressure be brought to bear in order to stop the laxity of the Swiss authorities toward conspirators, says: "The recent bomb discovery at Zurich demonstrates the necessity for foreign States no longer per-mitting Switzerland to harbor and protect

MOVEMENTS OF BOYALTY.

failed to get His Majesty's assent to the proposal to make the visit the occasion for a display of military and naval pomp. The Emperor desired to meet the Czar at Kiel, and to secompany him thence to Berlin, but the Czar refused to consent to anything beyond a quiet reception while passing through Berlin on his return from

Copenhagen.

The proceedings of the Catholic Congress at Vieuna have fixed the attention of the whole of Germany. The clerical press is justly jubilant over the display of compact and widespread organization of the Clericals. The resolutions adopted by the congress have been accepted as the programme of the German Catholics. CLEBICAL DEMANDS.

They include a declaration of the right to demand from the State ecclesiastical control of education, the restoration of Papal sovereignty, the prohibition of Sunday trading, the endowing and fostering of the Catholic press, and the formation of coperative passant companies. A bill in operative peasant communities. A bill introduced in the Reichsrath to-day gives to the church authorities the power to provide and supervise religious instruction in primary schools.
The North German Gazette warns the

Emin Relief Committee that Captain Wiss man has no power to permit an expedition to pass through his territory, and that Prince Bismarck is disinclined to permit an adventure which is likely to result in the capture of Germans, for whose ransom will be difficult to arrange. This declar tion puts an extinguisher on the committee The ex-Duke of Nassau left Luxemburg to-day for Frankfort. A great crowd gathered to witness his departure and he was enthusiastically cheered.

CROOKED BUSINESS

illeged in Connection With the Settlem of Oklahoma-A Chicagoan Tells the President What He Knows About the Matter.

WASHINGTON, May 4.-Mr. George W.

Cole, of Chicago, who was in Oklahoma when that Territory was thrown open to settlement, had a conference with Attorney General Miller this afternoon in regard to the conduct of Government officers on that occasion. According to his state-ment, Marshal Jones, of Kan-sas, and nearly all of his 700 deputies, took illegal advantage of their official position to get possession of choice lands. Mr. Cole said he was on the spot, and was prepared to substantiate his charges against Marshal Jones and his deputies. He said further that Marshal Needles and his deputies, of the Oklahoma district, were alleged to be equally culpable in the matter, but as he was not personally cognizant of the facts as far as these officials were concerned, he did not care to be responsible for the charges against them. He had seen enough, however, during his stay of three days in the ever, during his stay of three days in the Territory, to convince him that certain per-sons had been given unfair advantages in securing claims, and he deemed it his duty

to bring the matter to the attention of the Proper authorities.

He said he had talked with Secretary Noble in regard to the matter, and it was at his suggestion that he had called upon the Attorney General. The latter thanked him

Attorney General. The latter thanked him for his information and assured him that the matter would be thoroughly investigated. He said he had already heard enough to satisfy him that some crooked business had been perpetrated in Oktahoma, and he was determined that the officheders shall be brought to justice, if possible.

Inspector Frank D. Hobbs, of the General Land Office, in a letter dated Guthrie, Oklahoma, April 28, says: "The crowds at the office door have been great, but the most perfect order has prevailed throughout and in my experience I have never seen a better class of settlers at the opening of a new land office."

JERE DUNN SUED FOR DIVORCE.

Claims to be His Wife.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 NEW YORK, May 4 .- Jere Dunn, the well known sporting man and the owner of a string of fast horses, has been sued by Helen Bronson Dunn for limited divorce. Mrs. Dunn avers that she was married to him in October, 1883, and charges him with abandoning her last May. The plaintiff lives in West Thirty-fourth street. She was born in Kentucky and has lived long enough in New Orleans to have acquired a strong Southern accent. She said to THE DISPATCH reporter to-night that the first time she met Jere Dunn was in Cincinnati, where he was racing his horses. She was then a young widow. She came to New York in the spring of 1883, and sgain met Mr. Dunn. She said:

He told me that he did not believe in anything and had no faith in God or the church. He proposed that we should make a mutual agreement to live as man and wife. Such as agreement, he said, would be as binding as a formal ceremony before a minister. I agreed to this and we went to the Coleman House to live as Mr. and Mrs. Dunn. I was introduced as his wife everywhere. I saw in the naper of November 12 the announcement of Mr. Dunn's marriage to a Miss Louise Nagle, of Cambridge, and then I resolved to have my rights. I wrote to the chief of police of Boston and found that Miss Nagle was the youngest of four daughters of a woman who was living in a good deal of style in Cambridge. Had I known of Mr. Dunn's intentions I should have tried to save the girl. I am legally married to him according to the laws of New York State.

Mr. Dunn denies her story. His lawyer, and again met Mr. Dunn. She said: Mr. Dunn denies her story. His lawyer

John Brodsky, has filed an answer, in which Mr. Dunn says he was never married to this woman and moreover has known nothing of her for the last three years.

COLLDN'T DELIVER THE GOODS

How Bucks County Democrats Were Let Into Camp by Republicans. FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.1 HARRISBURG, May 4 .- An evening paper

were engineering the patriotic job of the Penn farm purchase were badly left in their calculations. They were led into camp by Republican leaders and induced to vote for a number can leaders and induced to vote for a number of measures that required help in return for the promise that the farm scheme would be put through. This promise was not kept. Whether the leaders deliberately deceived the Bucks county Democrats or were unable to deliver the vote for the bill is not known, but the probabilities are the latter is correct, as many members will not care to identify themselves with a job of that sort. Now that the bill is killed, the inquiry is made, what was the purpose of the bill? Was tintended for the State to go into the farming line, or was a park to be made of the ground? These questions are not answered, but the report is very promptly denied that the land, for which \$200 is wanted from the State, has been offered in the open market for \$58 per acre since the defeat of the bill,

SPENDING TOO MUCH MONEY.

Hospitals May Suffer When the Appropria tions Are Cut Down. FEROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.1

HARRISBURG,, May 4.-Harry Paul and Messrs, Slack and Collins interviewed the Governor to-day on the Homeopathic Hospital appropriation and explained to him. the good points of the institution. He listened attentively and asked some ques-

Recently the Governor told a member of the Legislature that the House had appropriated for the two coming fiscal years \$2,000,000 in excess of the revenues. In addition the Senate to-day inserted in the general appropriation bill an item of \$75,000 for dress uniforms for the National Guard. Something will have to be cut in consequence, and the charitable institutions may have to suffer.

THE SOCIETY CIRCUS

New York Exquisites Give a Brilliant Amateur Performance.

TONY SWELLS IN SILK TIGHTS.

The Large Audience Came from the Most Fashionable Circles.

ANY AMOUNT OF MONEY WAS EXPENDED No Lady Bareback Rider Could be Secured, but Substitute Was Found.

High society at the Metropolis has taken up another fad. The first amateur circus performance has been given in a very successful manner. The actors wore even more dazzling costumes than those of the regular ring, and the features are said to have been excellent. A special train of Pullman cars conveyed a select and brilliant andience to and from the scene.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The amateur circus at Pleasaunce, the charming country place of Mr. James M. Waterbury at Baychester, on Long Island Sound, last night, was success ful even beyond his fondest anticipations, and the outcome more than repaid him for the thousands of dollars he had spent and the time and labor the project involved.

The idea of an amateur circus, in which society people should take the part of the performers is not original with Mr. Water-bury, the Duc de Morny having astonished Paris with one two years ago, but Mr. Waterbury's friends are willing to give him credit for introducing this latest and most startling phase of social gayety on this continent. For months he has been arranging details, and last night's performance was the culmination of a vast amount of study and research. When he unfolded his project to his friends they enthusiastically

SCENE OF THE CIRCUS. The circus was held in Mr. Waterbury's huge covered tennis court, which is a large building, handsomely finished in oak. In the center of the building a regulation fortyfoot ring was laid out by Jack Carroll, who was in his day one of the most intrepid bare-back riders in the country, some months ago, and regularly twice a week since then the gentlemen who were willing to risk their limbs and necks in order to win the smiles of their ladies fair, have been at work under his watchful eye. Mr. E. Roosevelt was the most unfortunate of the lot, for while some tumbled in

gloriously in the sawdust, that young gen-tleman received injuries which prevented his taking part in last night's performance. The rail enclosing the ring, instead of being padded with canvas, as is customary, was luxuriously cushioned in the richest crimson plush, and from the roof hung festoons of the gayest bunting, which crossed and recrossed the room in a maze of red, white, orange, old gold, crimson, green, heliotrope and almost every conceivable color known, through which shone calcium lights of dif-

MONEY WAS NOT SPARED. There never was anything in society or out of society that could compare with this latest whim. Everything had been done with a lavish hand. The costumes were beautiful and the costliest that could be

It was 9:15 before ushers John C. Bur-man, Isaac Iselin, C. Oliver Iselin, Harry Cos-ter and P. Lorillard, Jr., had the audience all seated. Many beautiful costumes were disclosed when wraps were thrown back, snowy throats, dimpled arms and pearly clusters of precious stones twinkled in the hair of many of the ladies. At 9:30 o'clock, amid a blaze of trumpets,

eight spirited polo ponies bounded into the ring, bearing upon their backs Miss Daisy Hearst, Miss Cary, Miss Adolph Laden-burg, Miss Sallie Hargour, Frederick Beach, E. C. Potter, Connet and Woodhury Kane, and the circus began. The ladies were red tight-fitting jackets, white skirts of regular riding length and black riding hats. The men wore the stereotyped hunting costum THE OPENING FEATURE.

They made the ponies dance a quadrille to an inspiriting air with a dash and finish that would charm any connoisseur of good ring riding. They had hardly disappeared when William Binainger appeared with his trick baby elephant, very ably personated by two young men. They did the old Evangeline act; and received a liberal amount of applause.
Then Messra. Lesher, Landon, Taylor and Then Messra Lesher, Landon, Taylor and Molyneux, clad in silken tights of dazzling hues, gave an exhibition of high and lofty tumbling that caught everybody. The les echelles, a very intricate performance on a three runged ladder suspended from the ceiling was eleverly done by Messra Lesher, Landon and Prof Goldie. They did very startling feats.

startling feats. A huge net was stretche eneath them to save broken bones. The applause which greeted this perform ance and the funny antics of Messrs. Have meyer and Appleton, the clowns, had hardly ended before Edward C. Potter darted into

the ring to do his "daring act on horse back." The horse used was a demure white gelding named Johnny, which cantered so smoothly that a glass of water placed on his broad back would hardly have lost a drop, but Mr. Potter, who were rose-colored tights of the finest silk, rode most creditably, nevertheless. He jumped the banners gracefully and went through one of the paper hoops, but came to grief in attempting the

He more than made it up, however, when Ringmaster Howard N. Potter snapped his long whip furiously and Johnny cavorted around the ring at a lively gait, Mr. Potter sitting gracefully upon the beast's quarters without as much as a checkrein to sustain his equilibrium. He was applauded, and he received his reward, a huge bunch of

white roses.

Messrs. Lesher and Molyneux followed with a beautiful exhibition of horizonta bar work. Molvneux is an amateur chan pair work. Molyneux is an annateur cham-pion at this sport, and his work last night surpassed that of two-thirds of the profes-sional talent affect newad ys. Budd Ap-pleton introduced his troop of trained dogs. They did their tricks very creditably.

THE STAR LADY RIDER. A roar of laughter, followed by a burst of applause, greeted the appearance of Mr. Frederick Beach dressed as a female equestrian. He wore a black lace dress, with gold spangles, of the shortest kind. His a...Istache had been sacrificed to the needs of the occasion and a blonde wig of the giddiest kind covered his head. Mr. Beach can ride with the best of them, and his exhibition was one of the features of the evening. tion was one of the features of the evening He was ably assisted by the Johnny afore-said. Messrs. Landon and Lesher gave a thrilling act on the double trapeze, and then came Victor Sorchon, who electrified everybody by riding three barebacked

There were two or three other acts in the There were two or three other acts in the programme, and it was nearly midnight when the party made its way to the country house, a few hundred yards away, where supper was served. Dancing followed, and at 2:30 o'clock the special train of seven Pullman cars which brought them to the scene of the inaugural amateur circus performance was on its way back to New York. The universal opinion was that the affair was a grand success.

The Executive Board of the Amalgamate last night and decided to hold the tenth an-nual reunion and pionic at Rock Point on Saturday, June 8. The affair will be con-ducted largely on the plans that have se-cured success in past years, and several new features will be added. THE SAME AS SAMOA.

Other Islands in the Pucific Were Struck by the Terrific Harricane Great Dam-age to Life and Property

on Sea and Shore.
SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—The American bark City of Papeete, which arrived to-day, brought the first news of the hurricane which swept the Society Islands conten poraneous with the great storm at Samos Captain Bernd stated that the worst stor experienced at Papeete for the past 26 years occurred during the early part of March. Itis vessel arrived off the harber of Papeete on March 6, but was compelled to lay off the harbor for six days, owing to the terrible rain storm which was prevailing. The winds were from north-northwest, and came

direct from the land. On March 12 the Papeete reached the har-bor and anchored safely alongside the break-water. On the same date a terrible gale was blowing, and within 24 hours following tree were uprooted, sences blown down, and the streets blockaded with debris. The wind did great damage to shipping, the vessels being compelled to seek safety in the open sea. Two French Government boats, the sea. Two French Government boats, the transport Laviere and the cruiser Le Volta, which were anchored in the bay, dragged their anchors and were compelled to go to sea to keep from going ashore. The City of Papeete left Tahiti March 20. During the entire trip up, light winds and calms were experienced. "I never saw such a state of affairs before at Tahiti," said Captain Berad. "There was not a tree on the island that was not torn bodily from the earth, the streets are all impassable in the city of Papeete, and a general cessation of business has been experienced. When I entered the harbor I forperienced. When I entered the harbor I for-tunately got a good anchorage near the breakwater, and that is all that saved my

There was no tidal wave, but there was a most severe rain storm before the wind came up. Tahiti will be some time getting over the effects of the hurricane, and business at present is at a standstill. It is impossible to go about the streets, they are so littered with fallen timber. On the island of Maitei, which lies opposite Papeete, the the storm was more damaging, as it was open to the Tull force of the wind. Great injury was done to the plantations on the islands. Captain Bernd stated there was no truth in the dispatch force. Angelland no truth in the dispatch from Auckland several weeks ago, stating that the storm had been accompanied by great loss of life. There may have been some lives lost on the other islands, but as far as could be ascer-tained before leaving Papeste, very few lives had been lost there.

TO CLOSE THIS AFTERNOON.

The Mission for Women at the Cathedra Will be Ended To-Day. The woman's mission now being con ducted at St. Paul's Cathedral, will close this afternoon with a service at 3:30 o'clock.

To gain the plenary indulgence it will be necessary to attend both the morning and afternoon services. The mission for the men will begin this evening with a sermon at 7:30 o'clock and continue for the balance of the week. The Passionist Fathers are hearing on an average of 1,000 confes

TWO SLICK CITIZENS.

ne Rifles the Till While the Other Talks to the Storekeeper. The Chief of Police of Buffalo sends to Detective O'Mara for information about Martin Joyce and John Hennessy. The pair drove up to a store it Buffalo, Joyce entered and told the propri tor Hennessy, in the buggy, wanted to talk to him. While

talking together Joyce rifled the till.

Detective O'Mara savs both men are well known here in police circles. LOCAL ITEMS, LIMITED.

s of a Day in Two Cities for Ready Reading. THE Central Traction Company will begin to aild their new power house to-morrow. MRS. FRANK L. BLAIR, of Arch street, Alle-

gheny, died last evening, after a short illness, MR. JOSEPH R. STAUFFER, of Scottdale. started for Kansas last night to pay his son a James H. Reed and S. S. Marvin life members last night.

Prohibition meeting in the Moorhead building this afternoon. THE alarm from box 12 in Allegheny yesterday afternoon was caused by a chimney fire on Howard street.

MRS. MAIR, representing the W. C. T. U., presented Engine Company No. 15 with 50 volumes yesterday. JAMES CARROLL claims John Beck hit him on the head with a cobble stone. An assault and battery suit is the result. JOHN KILLEN, who escaped from Dixmont I. O. NISSLEY. editor of the Middletown Sun,

and J. C. Nisaley, Esq., of Harrisburg, are stopping at the Seventh Avenue Hotel. The amendment meeting in Salisbury Hall was well attended. W. P. Powell and W. T. McConnell, of Ohio, were the speakers. IT appears to have been William W. Hogue, not W. M. Hoag, who was arrested on that false pretense charge from Philadelphia on Friday.

excursion tickets to Cincinnati for the En-campment of the Sons of Veterans in that city during the middle of this month.

Hospital being treated for a badly bruised body. While passing along Smithfield street late on Friday night he fell into an open cellar

monwealth, was in the city yesterday and made an argument in the Herdic case before Judge Acheson. He returned to Philadelphia last night. THE one Hundred and Second Regiment met in the Mayor's office last night to com-plete arrangements for the dedification of their monument at Gettysburg on May 21

jail yesterday by Judge Gripp for surety of the peace. The information is made by Kate Hig-gins, who alleges the defendant threatened to kill her. THE regular monthly meeting of the Woman's National Indian Association will be held Thursday afternoon, May 2, at 3 o'clock, at No. 44 Stockton avenue, Allegheny. A full

A MEETING in the interest of Constitu endment will be held in the Eighth U. P. Church, corner of Van Braam and Locust streets, on Tuesday night. Homer L Castle, Esq., will be the speaker. CHIEF KIRSCHLER, of Allegheny, received a

telegram from Warren, R. I., asking bim to send Chas. F. Seymour home, as Lena is dangerously ill. The telegram is signed by Mrs. Seymour, but the Chief does not know where the boy is at

AN ABSURD PENALTY

The Sentence of the Court Martial in Major Lydecker's Case.

WHAT THE PRESIDENT SAYS OF IT.

Contrast to the Salty Dose Prescribed for

Commander Book.

THE P. O. GUILLOTINE RESTS FOR A DAY. Washington Hetel Keeper Darkens a Supreme Jur

tice's Life. The sentence in the case of Major Ly decker is creating considerable comment in Washington, where it is contrasted with the penalty imposed upon Lieutenant Commander Book. The President criticises the finding of the court. A Washington hotel

keeper and Justice Gray are waging a pe-

culiar warfare, in which Mine Host has the

best of it, so far. PAPECIAL TRLEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. WASHINGTON, May 4.-In this city the omments of citizens on the verdict of the court martial in the case of Major Lydecker, charged with neglect of duty as military engineer in charge of the construc tion of the new water works tunnel, are something more than severe. They are

The failure of Lydecker to personally go into the tunnel and inspect the work gave opportunity for the agents of the contractors to perpetrate one of the most villainous swindles, by means of bad work, ever ac-complished in this country. The work so far has cost the Government \$1,000,000 and the city of Washington a similar sum, as in all such public improvement the Government and the city assume equal shares of the pecuniary burden. No city in the country is as poorly supplied with water as Washington. Long ago the population outgrew the water supply, and the necessity for an extension was imperative. Major Lydecker is therefore solely responsible not only for the useless expenditure of \$2,000,-000, but for an indefinite delay of the exension of the water facilities

AN INADEQUATE SENTENCE.

The court martial found him guilty of neglect of duty, but imposed only the absurd penalty of a surrender of \$100 of his pay each month for nine months, and a reprimand in orders. The President approved the finding of the court, but gave

proyed the finding of the court, but gave plain evidence of the contempt he felt for it.

The court made the following explanation of the verdict: "The court is thus lenient in view of the evidence before it that, in spaces so confined as those above the arch in the tunnel, it was almost impossible to secure thoroughly good work under the contract system imposed by law."

Referring to this, the President said in his review: "The suggestion that the strictest and most faithful supervision of the progress of such a work is powerless to detect and convict the shams which were practiced by the contractors in this case is a practiced by the contractors in this case is a discredit to the engineering profession, en-tirely inadmissible. The sentence imposed by the court seems to have given full effect to every suggestion that might mitigate the

A SHARP CONTRAST.

The whole town was to-day contrasting this verdict with another just rendered by a naval court martial in the case of Lieuten-ant Commander Book, charged with ab-senting himself from his vessel without leave. He was in command of the United leave. He was in command of the United States steamship Pinta, anchored in the harbor of Sitks, Alaska, with her boilers rotten an useless. He wrote to the department repeatedly for leave to have his boilers repaired, but could get no response. Becoming desperate, he left his ship and came to Washington to endeavor to persuade the officials here that his ship was in urgent need of repairs. He had no orders for so doing, and was court martialed. 'The sentence of the court, which was approved, was that he be suspended from rank and

was that he be suspended from rank and duty, on furlough pay for two years, retaining his present number in his grade during that period.

Book is virtually fined at least \$3,000 in money and loses two years out of his professional career. Lydecker loses \$900 and no time. It suggested generally that to be consistent, the verdict of the court martial in the Armes case should be dismissal from the army in disgrace for riding out of his place in the inaugural parade, and not for attempting to pull Governor Beaver's nose.

MINE HOST'S REVENGE. He Shuts Out Air and Light From His

Bnemy's Residence. INPECTAL TRLEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR. 1 WASHINGTON, May 4 .- Mr. William E. Pratt, proprietor of the Hotel Arno, to-day SNEAK thieves stole an overcoat and two hats from the home of William McGraw, on Forbes street, while the family were at supper.

Pratt, proprietor of the Hotel Arno, to-day purchased from ex-Minister McLane, late of Paris, his residence on K street, the second one from Sixteenth. The Hotel Arno fronts Sixteenth. The only property between his and K is the new old-fashioned THE limited was just an hour behind time last night, the first break this train has made for months. A freight wreck at Duncannon was responsible.

Coroner McDowell doesn't think it is necessary to hold an inquest over Miss Maggie Stuck, who died suddenly at Mrs. Jones' boarding house, in Wightman's row.

George McGibbon, a boy 5 years old, fell from an apple tree in his father's yard, off the Shalersville pike, yesterday, and broke his arm. Dr. Gaugloff attended the boy.

The Baltimore and Ohio will sell half-rate excursion tickets to Cincinnati for the Engentlemen, which was concluded by Mr.

gentlemen, which was concluded by Mr. Pratt informing the Justice in great heat that he would build around him so high that he would shut out all remaining light campment of the city during the middle of this month.

JOSEPH COMSTOCK, employed in the mill of Singer, Nimick & Co., West End, had his hand run over by a wagon and severely crushed yesterday afternoon. Dr. Miller attended him.

LETALIZED IS ALLEY OF THE MEMORY IS AT THE MEMORY AND THE MEMORY IS AT THE MEMORY I enables him to run a wing through from the rear of his present lot to K street, where he will erect towering flats, which will en-tirely overshadow the residence of the Su-

HE'S WHETTING THE AX.

No Heads of Democratic Postmasters Fell Into the Basket Vesterday. WASHINGTON, May 4.—General Clark-son was absent from the city to-day, and it was therefore the best day for Democratic postmasters on which the sun had shone since the First Assistant Postmaster Genor appointment was made, and this is accepted as irrefutable proof that the entire business of cutting off Democratic heads is left to Mr. Clarkson, without interference from Mr. Wansamaker.

This was the eral was appointed. Not a single renewal This was the poorest of several weeks in the matter of appointments of postmasters. Only about 700 new ones were made, and only about 60 of them were for Pennsylvania. The entire number of postmasters ap

pointed in Pennsylvania by the present ad-ministration is 610. INDICTED FOR MURDER.

On Monday evening a meeting in the interest of Constitutional amendment will be held in the Centenary Church, under the auspices of Emerson Union, W. C. T. U. Rev. Mr. Miller, the former paster of the church, will be the principal speaker.

The tenth union temperance meeting will be held in the Grand Opera House this evening commencing at 7:55. Dr. Harry Bullen will conduct the meeting. J. Howard Moora, Esq., the talented young orator from Topaka, Kan, will speak to the peeple, on "The Grand Jury Finds a Bill Against the Instance Asylum Keepers.

Chicago, May 4.—The grand jury to-day returned an indictment for murder against Superintendent Klernan, of the County Insane Asylum. This action grows out of the death of Robert Burns, a patient in that institution, who was beaten to death by attendants. Of these Schubert, Crogan, Pecha and Richardson were also indicted for murder.

BUTLER ON PORTER.

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the big sojer who opened the Mississippi ribber and captured New Orleans and did lots of glorious tings and wunted to be President." President."

'I thought I recognized the man for whom the dog was named, though the little darkey couldn't recall more than 'Ben.' I thought I had better buy the dog, and did so, sending him to the back yard with word for the cook to look out for his welfare. The next day the excited master of ceremonies in the kitchen appeared before me exclaiming: 'Oh, Marster Admiral, dat dere dorg ull eat eberything in de house, and besides he'll be the ruinnshun of yous all. He's already run off wid de spoons, and has a-buried de allber forks

de spoons, and has a-buried de in de back yard.'" "Oh, Ben! Ben!" concluded the Admiral, "who could fail to recognize the immorts

ODD ITEMS FROM FOREIGN SHORES. JOHN BRIGHT did not like Shakespeare

THE habit of taking ether is said to be ex-remely prevalent in the north of Ireland. THERE were 10,986 pictures submitted for this year's exhibition at the London Academy.

A COPY of John Eliot's Bible has just been sed by the trustees of the British Mu-

ONE of the new Cardinals, Schoenborn, Archbishop of Prague, was a soldier in the battle of Padua in 1866.

BRUSSELS has distinguished herself by a bonnet show. The first prize was given to a "flat, oyster-shell sort of contrivance, decorated with

LADY RANDOLPH CHURCHILL is about to make her debut in literature, it is said, with an article in Longman's New Review on her experience in Russian society life.

A NOVELTY for personal adornment is the gemmed hairband, an arrangement of fine netting to match the hair, with little jewels fastened thickly in it so that the hair seems to be sewn with jewels. In discussing the relations of Engiand's pow-er to the world at large, Sir George Eaden Pow-ell recently remarked in public that "at least

80 per cent of the coaling stations of the world could be in our hands, and, that secured, the enemy would be powerless." The fastest locomotive employed in carrying the Scotch mail, where the highest rate of

the Scotch mail, where the highest rate of speed is attained, has three cylinders, a newde-parture in locomotive building, and a seven-feet driving wheel. It has been made specially for high speed with heavy trains. HEREAFTER the boats to be carried by Atlantic steamers, metead of being made of wood, will be made of steel, in one piece. Wooden

boats rot and are easily crushed. The new boats will be built by machinery especially made for rolling them out in all sizes and in a single plate. THE military custom of saluting by bringing the hand into a horizontal position over the eyebrows is thus accounted for: It is supposed to date back to the tournaments of the Middle Ages, when, after the Queen of Beauty was enthroned, the knights who were to take part in the sports of the day marched past the dais on which she sat, and as they passed shielded their

Proof of New York's Hospitality.

From the Chicago News. J The President was photographed in New York while in the act of biting a quarter sec-tion out of a sandwich. If he should ever murmur against that city's Centennial hospitality that photograph will be produced by way of re-

-The other morning Charley Arnold, a 4year-old colored boy, while playing about his father's home at Atlanta, Ga., picked up a father's home at Atlanta, Ga., picked up a shingle nail and swallowed ft. A doctor was summoned, but found it impossible to relieve the child. Since then he has not been able to take any solid food whatever, and has suffered extreme torture. He has a high fever, and his moaning is pittful to hear. He has lived on eggnog since the occurrence. His death is regarded simply as a question of time.

Count Tolstol Dangerously Ill. ST. PETERSBURG, May 4.-Count Tols.

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